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- 1. The League of Albanian Refugees (Prizren Committee) was estensibly organized by the Yugoslav Government to bring all Albanian refugees into a single group without regard to political or religious persuacion. Actually, The Prizren Committee was composed of Albanians who were neo-Communists and trusted Titoists. This situation produced an atmosphere of distruct and reluctance to participate in Committee activities on the part of most Albanian refugees in Yugoslavia who nourished anti-Communist feelings. In contrast with the presumed democratic spirit which inspired the Constitution of the Prizren Committee, the selection of candidates and their election to Committee offices was engineered by Dusan Mugosa and his UDBa (Yugoslav Intelligence Service) aids.
- 2. The Prizren Committee was commonly referred to in Albanian emigre circles as the "Lume Organization" because it was composed of many Albanians from the Lume district, who are reputed to be corrupt and ready to sell their services to anyone for a price. Some Albanians from Lume are Ramadan Spahiu, Lufti Spahiu, Islam Domi, Sabri Domi and Bardho Leka.
- 3. The last edition of Flamuri i Liris, official organ of the Prizren Committee, made inoffensive references to Albania and the two slogans which formerly appeared in the masthead calling for a union of the Albanian people and attacking the Hoxha-Shehu Regime were omitted. The regular pep-talks at Committee meetings for anti-Albanian propaganda activities have been discontinued.
- 4. Albanian refugees who are working closely with UDBa officers discount the importance of the Committee. Although the main office of the Prizren Committee is now in Prishtina, President Harulla Ishmi still lives in Prizren and Vice-President Nik Sokoli lives in Peja. Moreover, the usual

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e dissol	p dues were not collected in December. The Committee will probably wed and a new political group established. Even publication of Liris will be discontinued.
	a's present policy toward Albanian refugees is part of a general the following political objectives in view:
a.	Belgrade wanted to demonstrate to
	Tirana that Yugoslavia was ready to disband organizations which are hostile to Albania.
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đ.	Belgrade wanted to create the impression both in Eastern and Western camps that Yugoslavia was disbanding her own aggressive political assets against her neighbors.
	rade learned that a majority of the refugees wanted to leave Yugo-
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	to persuade them through threats, cajolery, promises and offers of withdraw their visa applications. 2
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lbanians hem to r	were used by the UDBa to agitate among the refugees and persuade
lbania a	These Albanians, noted for their courage and influence in s guerrilla fighters, were told by UDBa officials not to insist on isa if they did not want to come to a bad end.
	f the Prizren Committee have been perplexed and disturbed by this of the Yugoslav Government.
Selgrade cossible repatriat	Bato Karafili, Charge d'Affaires of the Albanian Legation in is under constant surveillance by the UDBa, he has tried in every way to spread the word that Tirana is very willing to accept Albanian es including those who had been actively engaged against the egime in the past.
anted to there he responsible o Albani	in early January 1955, an unidentified refugee from Lume, who return to Albania, boldly went to the Albanian Legation in Belgrade was well received and kept for hours with food and drink. He was le for spreading the word that refugees who desired to repatriate a would be well received and that the Albanian Legation would either
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